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taining over 1,200 detainees. In the course of those visits, the delegates distributed relief items to a value of about 53,600 Swiss francs.

In the *People's Democratic Republic of Yemen*, the ICRC closed down the delegation it had set up at Aden in 1967. Its activities for the benefit of political detainees had almost completely ceased at the beginning of 1973.

In both these last countries, the value of material assistance forwarded by the ICRC to the local Red Crescent Societies for distribution to needy persons amounted to 260,000 Swiss francs, including foodstuffs donated by the European Economic Community and the Swiss Government.<sup>1</sup>

## **Relief Service**

### **SUPPORT FOR THE ICRC'S TRADITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

In carrying out its traditional activities during 1974, the ICRC continued to provide various types of relief, such as:

- medical supplies, clothing and foodstuffs to prisoners of war, civilian detainees and civilian populations victims of the conflict between Israel and the Arab countries;
- medical assistance to detainees visited by ICRC delegates in the various zones of intervention;
- assistance to National Red Cross Societies;
- assistance to certain national liberation movements.

(See tables below.)

These activities were usually planned and budgeted in 6-monthly periods. During 1974, a total of 2,257,163 Swiss francs was spent for the dispatch of supplies from Geneva by the Relief Service and for purchases made on the spot by delegations.<sup>2</sup>

### **FOOD AID**

Under agreements reached with the European Economic Community (EEC) and the Swiss Government, the ICRC was able to

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<sup>1</sup> See table of relief supplies, p. 62.

<sup>2</sup> See Financial Table VII, p. 108 for the interim total of actual expenditure.

provide substantial assistance in the form of foodstuffs to many National Societies and other beneficiaries.

In the course of the year, the Relief Service made 49 shipments totalling 9,981 tons of food (7,590 tons of flour, 2,391 tons of powdered milk) to seventeen countries in Africa, seven in the Middle East, six in Latin America, two in Asia and two in Europe, as well as to two African liberation movements. (See tables below.)

#### ACTIVITY ON AN INTERNATIONAL SCALE

To assist the many civilian victims and displaced persons created by the conflict which broke out in Cyprus in July 1974, the Relief Service organized a large-scale effort. Acting as co-ordinator, it assured during the initial phase, the delivery of emergency relief supplies by means of an airlift between Cyprus and logistic bases in Europe and the Middle East. Subsequently, regular deliveries were arranged in close co-operation with donor National Societies and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). Thanks to the efficient help of several National Societies, it was possible to put mobile medical teams to work in all parts of the island.

The Relief Service concentrated all its resources in manpower and *matériel* without respite over a period of several months to this undertaking which led to an impressive demonstration of international solidarity. (See table of relief supplies, page 17.)

**RELIEF SUPPLIES DELIVERED OR DISTRIBUTED BY THE ICRC  
DURING 1974**

**Africa**

		Sw. fr.
<b>Algeria</b>	60 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for drought victims . . . . .	48,000.—
	5 tons of whole powdered milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for drought victims . . . . .	35,000.—
<b>Angola</b>	Aid to prisoners . . . . .	1,100.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	900.—
	Ambulance for Red Cross . . . . .	21,000.—
<b>Burundi</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	650.—
<b>Cameroon</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	6,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	4,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	950.—
<b>Central African Republic</b>		
<b>Chad</b>	20 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for drought victims . . . . .	80,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	2,100.—
<b>Congo</b>	20 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population. . . . .	16,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	1,500.—
	Aid to Portuguese prisoners . . . . .	850.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	800.—
<b>Ethiopia</b>	50 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for drought victims . . . . .	40,000.—
	230 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population of the province of Eritrea . . . . .	184,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	311,500.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	20,000.—
<b>Gambia</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	5,500.—
<b>Ghana</b>	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	1,100.—
<b>Guinea Bissau</b>	Aid to PAIGC prisoners in Portuguese hands prior to independence . . . . .	350.—
<b>Kenya</b>	50 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population. . . . .	40,000.—
<b>Liberia</b>	20 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population. . . . .	16,000.—

		Sw. fr.
<b>Mali</b>	20 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for drought victims . . . . .	80,000.—
<b>Mauritania</b>	40 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for civilian drought victims . . . . .	32,000.—
	20 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for civilian drought victims . . . . .	80,000.—
	Aid to political detainees . . . . .	7,900.—
	Aid to Red Crescent . . . . .	10,000.—
<b>Mauritius</b>	50 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population. . . . .	40,000.—
<b>Mozambique</b>	10 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for victims of disturbances in Lourenço-Marquès . . . . .	70,000.—
	Aid to victims of disturbances in Lourenço-Marquès . . . . .	53,000.—
	Aid to displaced persons, Tete District . . . . .	10,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	800.—
	Aid to prisoners . . . . .	400.—
<b>Niger</b>	20 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for drought victims . . . . .	80,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	800.—
<b>Rhodesia</b>	30 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the population in protected villages . . . . .	210,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	32,900.—
	Medical aid to the population in protected villages . . . . .	1,800.—
<b>Rwanda</b>	5 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for a Red Cross orphanage	35,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	5,300.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	2,400.—
<b>Senegal</b>	40 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for drought victims . . . . .	32,000.—
	20 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for drought victims . . . . .	80,000.—
<b>Sierra Leone</b>	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	750.—
<b>South Africa</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	3,200.—
<b>Togo</b>	20 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population. . . . .	16,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	3,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	1,900.—

		Sw. fr.
<b>Upper Volta</b>	20 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for drought victims . . . . .	80,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	12,800.—
<b>Zaire</b>	20 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population. . . . .	16,000.—
	Aid to Portuguese prisoners . . . . .	1,200.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	1,500.—
<b>Zambia</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	4,300.—
<b>FLNA</b>	40 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for Angolan refugees in Zaire .	32,000.—
<b>FRELIMO</b>	77 kg of medicaments, a gift from the Swiss Red Cross . . . . .	11,000.—
<b>MPLA</b>	Pharmaceutical products and foodstuffs for the Medical Assistance Service . . . . .	4,800.—
<b>PAC</b>	Ambulance . . . . .	35,000.—
<b>PAIGC</b>	128 kg of medicaments . . . . .	10,500.—
<b>SWAPO</b>	10 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian population	70,000.—
<b>ZANU</b>	68 kg of medicaments . . . . .	5,300.—
<b>ZAPU</b>	42 kg of medicaments . . . . .	5,000.—
	104 kg of medicaments . . . . .	4,500.—
	<b>Total Frs.</b>	<b><u>2,020,350.—</u></b>

## Latin America

<b>Argentina</b>	Aid to Red Cross . . . . .	19,950.—
<b>Bolivia</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	22,300.—
	Aid to families of detainees . . . . .	6,200.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	5,100.—
<b>Chile<sup>1</sup></b>	600 tons of wheat flour and 120 tons of powdered whole milk, gifts of the Swiss Government for the civilian population . . . . .	1,320,000.—
	1,500 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for the civilian population . . .	6,000,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	45,400.—
	Aid to Red Cross for flood victims . . . . .	57,700.—
<b>Colombia</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	5,700.—
	Aid to families of detainees . . . . .	200.—

<sup>1</sup> Not including relief despatched and distributed under the special programme in Chile.

		Sw. frs,
<b>Ecuador</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	1,200.—
<b>Guyana</b>	3 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Red Cross feeding programme. . . . .	21,000.—
<b>Haiti</b>	10 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Red Cross feeding programme. . . . .	70,000.—
<b>Honduras</b>	4 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Red Cross feeding programme. . . . .	28,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	12,800.—
<b>Paraguay</b>	3 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Red Cross feeding programme. . . . .	21,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	11,500.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	1,300.—
	Aid to families of detainees . . . . .	1,700.—
<b>Uruguay</b>	10 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Red Cross feeding programme. . . . .	70,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	46,700.—
<b>Total S. Frs.</b>		<b>7,767,750.—</b>

## Asia <sup>1</sup>

<b>Bangladesh</b>	60 kg of eyeglass frames, a gift from the Red Cross of the Federal Republic of Germany, and 43 kg of eyeglass lenses for the Islamia Eye Hospital at Dacca . . . . .	18,000.—
<b>BURMA</b>	10 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Red Cross feeding programme. . . . .	70,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	700.—
<b>Democratic Republic of Vietnam</b>	Provision by IRCA of prefabricated housing for the civilian population . . . . .	6,678,400.—

<sup>1</sup> Relief designated as International Red Cross Assistance (IRCA) does not include the supplementary assistance supplied by National Red Cross Societies in the form of goods and services.

		Sw. fr.
<b>Hong Kong</b>	Aid to South Vietnamese repatriated persons	600.—
<b>India</b>	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	500.—
<b>Indonesia</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	82,800.—
<b>Khmer Republic</b>	Aid to prisoners of war . . . . .	2,600.—
	IRCA relief programme for civilians . . . . .	5,026,500.—
<b>Laos</b>	Aid to prisoners of war . . . . .	2,700.—
	Aid to Burmese refugees . . . . .	6,500.—
	IRCA relief programme for civilians . . . . .	238,800.—
<b>Laos Patriotic Front</b>	Medical aid and miscellaneous . . . . .	183,800.—
	IRCA relief programme for civilians . . . . .	359,800.—
<b>Malaysia</b>	15 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Red Cross feeding programme. . . . .	105,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	1,700.—
<b>Philippines</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	5,500.—
<b>Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam</b>	IRCA provision of hospital equipment . . .	919,400.—
<b>Republic of Vietnam</b>	Aid to prisoners of war . . . . .	2,000.—
	Medico-social programme in orphanages . .	76,500.—
	IRCA relief programme for civilians . . . . .	3,854,000.—
<b>Sri Lanka</b>	Aid to detainees . . . . .	40,000.—
		<b>Total S. Frs. 17,675,800.—</b>
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## Europe

<b>Greece</b>	One ton of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for a Red Cross children's home . . . . .	7,000.—
<b>Hungary</b>	Medicaments for the Red Cross . . . . .	2,200.—
<b>Poland</b>	Medicaments for the Red Cross . . . . .	2,100.—
<b>Romania</b>	Medicaments . . . . .	500.—
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Medicaments for various countries . . . . .	2,100.—
		<b>Total S. Frs. 13,900.—</b>
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## Middle East

Sw. fr.

<b>Arab Republic of Egypt</b>	100 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for displaced persons . . . . .	80,000.—
	500 tons of wheat flour and 100 tons of powdered skimmed milk, gifts from the EEC for displaced persons . . . . .	800,000.—
	Miscellaneous relief supplies . . . . .	17,800.—
	Medicaments, surgical equipment, blankets, clothing, powdered milk, ambulances and wheelchairs, gifts from various National Red Cross Societies to the Red Crescent for the civilian population . . . . .	1,353,100.—
<b>Democratic Yemen</b>	100 tons of wheat flour and 20 tons of powdered whole milk, gifts from the Swiss Government for the civilian population . . . . .	220,000.—
	Aid to detainees and their families . . . . .	9,600.—
<b>Israel and occupied territories</b>	1,800 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the Swiss Government for the civilian populations of the West Bank of the Jordan, Gaza and Sinai. . . . .	1,440,000.—
	Aid to civilian detainees . . . . .	350,000.—
	Aid to civilian population and miscellaneous relief . . . . .	46,300.—
<b>Jordan</b>	1,000 tons of wheat flour and 100 tons of powdered skimmed milk, gifts from the EEC for the civilian population . . . . .	1,200,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	4,300.—
<b>Lebanon</b>	100 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for the civilian population. . . . .	400,000.—
	Aid to Red Cross. . . . .	31,500.—
<b>Syria</b>	10 tons of powdered whole milk, a gift from the Swiss Government for the Aleppo Red Crescent . . . . .	70,000.—
	100 tons of powdered skimmed milk and 2,800 tons of wheat flour, gifts from the EEC for displaced persons from Golan . . . . .	2,640,000.—
	Aid to civilian population . . . . .	10,100.—
	Medicaments, surgical equipment, tents, blankets and powdered milk, gifts from various National Societies for the civilian population	1,136,600.—
<b>Yemen</b>	50 tons of wheat flour, a gift from the EEC for the civilian population . . . . .	40,000.—
	Aid to detainees . . . . .	53,600.—
	Equipment for prosthesis workshop at Sanaa	36,100.—

	Sw. fr.	
<b>Palestinian Red Crescent</b>	50 tons of powdered skimmed milk, a gift from the EEC for the civilian population . . . . .	200,000.—
	Aid to Palestinian Red Crescent . . . . .	48,800.—
	Medicaments and other medical material, gifts from various National Red Cross Soci- ties for the civilian population . . . . .	80,000.—
<b>"Magen David Adom"</b>	Medicaments, surgical equipment and an ambulance, gifts from various National Red Cross Societies for the civilian population . .	262,800.—
	<b>Total S. Frs. <u>10,530,600,—</u></b>	